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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
Geography Division, ORR
Project Initiation Memorandum

To: Chief, Geographic Research

Project No.: 61.1466

From: Chief, Geography Division

Date: 17 August 1956

1. Subject of Proposed Project: Socio-Geographic Factors in the Collectivization of Agriculture in Communist China
2. Statement of Problem: a.) To analyze the progress made by the Chicom regime in the collectivization of agriculture, with emphasis on relative progress by regions. b.) To point out significance of certain regional trends that are apparent. c.) To identify and evaluate certain socio-geographic factors that will influence the success or failure of the Chicom collectivization drive and, in turn, the entire 12-year plan for improvement of agriculture.
3. Requester: Self-initiated 25X1A9a
4. Responsible Analyst: [REDACTED] Far East Branch
5. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired from:
 - a.) Other Divisions of the Geographic Area: 3 maps from D/GC
 - b.) Other parts of CIA: Coordination with Agriculture Branch and with Population and Manpower Branch, ERA
6. Estimated Man Hours: 350 professional
7. Probable Completion Date: October 1956
8. Probable Form of Final Publication: CIA/RR-G
9. Comments: This subject was originally intended to form the basis for an article in the Geographic Intelligence Review, but research to date has resulted in a draft that is considered to justify issuance as a separate geographic intelligence report.

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Chief, Geography Division

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Chief, Geographic Research

22 AUG 1956
Date

Assistant Director, ORR

Date 25X1A9a

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23 Aug 1957 -- Returned with note from
AD/RR: "Bob: See Jay and [REDACTED] about
obtaining a consistent approach
on this subject between D/GG
effort and D/A/FE [REDACTED]
effort. I shall be willing to
discuss this with your men.
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